REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed the Office Action dated April 9, 2010. Applicant has

amended Claims 1 and 11 to more clearly point out the present inventive concept. Claims 21-25

have been withdrawn. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Reconsideration and

favorable action is respectfully requested.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-9 and 11-19 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double

patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-9 of U.S. Patent No. 6.868,433 in view of Durst

Jr. et al. (US 2001/0011276, hereinafter Durst). A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted concurrently with this response with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,868,433.

Claims 1-9 and 11-19 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double

patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-13 of U.S. Patent No. 6.754.698 in view of Durst.

A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted concurrently with this response with respect to U.S. Patent

No. 6,754,698.

Claims Rejection - 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-9, 11-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Van

Ryzin (US 2002/0059241, hereinafter Van Ryzin), in view of Durst. This rejection is respectfully

traversed

Claim 1 has been amended to include the features of "scanning a machine recognizable

code (MRC) to obtain MRC information using the remote control device in response to the user pressing a first button of the remote control device", "storing the MRC information within a

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memory of the remote control device", "providing an indication to the user by the remote control

device in response to a successful scan of the MRC", and "in response to the user pressing a

second button of the remote control device:", "forming a representation of the machine

 $recognizable\ code\ (MRC)\ information\ contained\ within\ the\ MRC, the\ representation\ of\ the\ MRC$ 

having no network address routing information contained therein" and "wirelessly transmitting the representation of the MRC information contained within the MRC to a network interface

device." Support for these amendments may be found in at least paragraphs [0150] and [0152]

of the application as originally filed. Applicant respectfully submits that Van Ryzin in view of

Durst fails to teach or suggest the features of Claim 1 as amended. In particular, Applicant

respectfully submits that neither Van Ryzin nor Durst teach or suggest the feature of Claim 1 as

amended of "providing an indication to the user by the remote control device in response to a

successful scan of the MRC." Van Ryzin describes an optical scanner 10e coupled to a computer

10 which is used to optically scan a UPC bar code, which is then converted into a product code

number 40 by client software running on the computer 10. Durst describes allowing a user to

scan a bar code which may be encoded with a URL a scanner enhanced remote control unit 10

and transmit the scanned image to a television 20 or set-top conversion unit 20a. However,

neither Van Ryzin nor Durst teach providing an indication to a user by a remote control device

that a machine-readable code has been successfully scanned. In view of the foregoing, Applicant

respectfully submits that Claim 1 is allowable over the cited references and requests that the 35

U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection of Claim 1 be withdrawn.

Claim 11 includes features similar to those found in Claim 1. In particular, Claim 11

includes the feature of "an indicator for providing an indication to the user by the remote control device in response to a successful scan of the MRC." Applicant respectfully submits that Claim

11 is allowable for analogous reasons as those discussed with respect to Claim 1 and requests

that the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection of Claim 11 be withdrawn. Claims 2-9 and 11-19 are

dependent upon and include the features of Claims 1 and 11, respectfully. In view of the

foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that the 35 U.S.C. § 103 rejections of Claims 2-9 and

11-19 be withdrawn.

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Claims 10 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Van

Ryzin and Durst, and further in view of Schumacher et al. (US 6.038.664, hereinafter

Schumacher). This rejected is respectfully traversed.

Claims 10 and 20 are dependent upon and include the features of Claims 1 and 11.

respectively. As discussed hereinabove, Van Ryzin and Durst fail to teach or suggest the

aforedescribed features of Claim 1 and 11. Applicant respectfully submits that Schumacher also

fails to teach or suggest these features. In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests

that the 35 U.S.C. § 103 rejections of Claims 10 and 20 be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Applicant has now made an earnest attempt in order to place this case in condition for

allowance. For the reasons stated above, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of the

claims as amended. Please charge any additional fees or deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0780/RPXC-26,630 of HOWISON & ARNOTT, L.L.P.

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